

Turn Your Vacant Lot Into A Revenue Producer

The Tri-Cities Need Houses—Build and Rent For Quick Profits

THE Tri-City is today confronted by a serious housing problem.

More houses are needed—and at once! Else we will find ourselves in the position of such cities as Detroit, Flint, Kenosha and other places where growth has been cramped and industries retarded by lack of places for workers to live.

Here is a situation which brooks no delay. For the arsenal alone is going to need 1,500 more men by Feb. 1 and 2,000 more within a year.

And already it is the middle of October! The matter is now before the Greater Davenport Committee. But it is equally before every property-owner of Greater Davenport. For it is a question which concerns each citizen as an individual.

Just as Greater Davenport is offered an opportunity, so is Opportunity knocking at the door of everyone who lives here.

The 3,500 new workers being brought here will have steady employment for years to come.

They will be skilled workers—men of good wages.

They will bring their families with them. And they will need places to live.

Within three months, there will not be a vacant house in the Tri-Cities—and houses will be at a premium.

And within nine months following, the influx of new residents will be still greater than it will be in the first three.

Where are all these families going to live? As the Davenport Times says editorially in its issue of Sept. 28:

"Men with capital to invest, men loyal to the community, who wish to see it grow and prosper, surely can see that they can serve the community and themselves NOW in no better way than by erecting houses by the wholesale to meet this sudden and important demand for homes for the additional workers at the arsenal."

Build NOW while Gordon-Van Tine's prices are still based on our purchase price—1915 Fall Market.

Consider this whole matter right today. Don't put it off!

COMMANDANT BURR HAS \$15,000,000 TO SPEND AND MUST HAVE WORKERS

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Greater Davenport Committee Hears Statement of the Needs

HOUSES FOR FAMILIES SOUGHT

Secretary to Congressman Hull Explains Arsenal Expansion

Arsenal will need 1,500 more men by February 1.

As many more will be required soon afterwards.

They will need homes. Greater Davenport committee trying to solve problem.

Appropriated for arsenal last year—\$1,500,000.

Already designated for this year—\$1,500,000.

Approximate additional amount needed—\$1,500,000.

Total amount available about \$1,500,000.

Number employed March 1, 1916—1,786.

Number required Feb. 1, 1917—4,000.

Approximate number needed within year—2,200.

If a new factory which would employ 4,000 men were established in the community, special efforts would be made to provide homes for them. This is the problem, which faces the community.

Between hundred more men will be needed at the Rock Island arsenal by February 1, and as many more will come to Davenport after that.

The problem of providing these men and their families with homes is a serious one, which faces the community.

This problem is receiving the serious consideration of the Greater Davenport committee and of the regular Thursday, Oct. 14, meeting of the committee.

For Congressman Hull's efforts in this matter, the committee is deeply indebted.



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Phone Davenport 192

Established Over Half a Century.

Here, The Times has hit the nail on the head.

Rents will go up; property values will increase.

Every citizen who keeps pace with the industrial growth which is now upon us, will share in its profits.

You, who own a vacant lot—you, who have vacant property on the back part of your lot—BUILD on it. Make your vacant lot a profit-payer instead of a tax-eater. Make your extra ground a revenue-bringer.

It doesn't need to be a big house. But it must be a good house. The Standard of living among government employees is high and what is required principally are homes of about six rooms with modern conveniences.

And here you have a great advantage over the home-builder living in any other city in America.

For, here in Davenport, is the Gordon-Van Tine Co. specializing in just the exact type of houses required.

Where, under other circumstances, you perhaps could not build a house at a price low enough to make an adequate revenue-bringer, Gordon-Van Tine Houses make this possible for you.

The same low, wholesale prices on material—the same, efficient Plan Department Service and Architectural Supervision—which have sold 100,000 Gordon-Van Tine Homes throughout America, are here for you!

And another thing—

Note it carefully—for this is IMPORTANT—NOW is the time to build.

To rent your house right so it will bring you good revenue, and must have it ready when the rush is on.

But, more important to you still, is the fact that YOU CAN SAVE MONEY BY BUILDING IN THE FALL!

And every dollar saved in cost makes your rate of interest higher.

Make fall—NOW—your building time. It is no uncommon occurrence to find fall building prices 25% lower than spring prices.

Moreover, by spring no one knows to what levels building material prices will have risen. As soon as war-devastated Europe starts rebuilding, material demands will swamp the American Market and prices will hit away higher than any previously existing top.

If you have any doubts about being able to finance safely, come in and talk it over with us. Get a free copy of our book "HOW TO BUILD AND FINANCE YOUR HOME." It tells you everything you want to know.

Better phone or write for a copy of this book today.

WEEKLY GRAIN AND PROVISION REVIEW

Chicago, Oct. 14.—Submarine ho-

lower. However, all but 1c to 1½c of the severe decline which took place on Monday had been wiped out when the market opened this morning.

Before the U-S-S began her exploits on this side of the Atlantic, wheat prices were plainly on the upgrade.

The situation was reversed when dealers were suddenly confronted by news of wholesale destruction of shipping and by the prospect that more work of the same character would follow.

Just 4½c a bushel was clipped from the value of wheat in the flurry which ensued. The recovery, however, was steady during the week.

WEATHER FORECAST IS REPORTED FAIR

Washington, Oct. 14.—Weather pre-

dictions for the week beginning Sun-temperatures, day, issued by the weather bureau today for the Great Lakes region, the upper Mississippi valley and plains states, are generally fair with normal